the Relief of Burnside.

BY RICHMOND WOLCOTT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

It began-or rather the prelude to it beganat I o'clock on the morning of Thanksgiving it. Those who had money went into the Day, 1863. Bragg's lines had been broken and his demoralized army sent flying toward Ring-gold by Thomas's magnificent charge on the evening before, and we were to follow in pur- the time in a state of semi-torpor. suit ria Chickamanga Station. I never could Nor can I ever forget the rainy night in the tell why we were called out at such an unnec- fallow field near Taylor's Gap. It was dark essary hour; for, after we had crossed to the when we went into camp; wood and water were right bank of the South Chickamauga, we did | very scarce and had to be carried a long way; nothing but stand around, munching hardtack, we had made a long march and were thoroughly kicking our benumbed toos against the frozen | tired. During the night the rain ceased, the clods, and waiting, with as much patience as | wind blew up fresh and keen, we could command, till sunrise. Then we moved forward and overteek the enemy's the men had erected, and by morning the | we would think from the account he felt conrear-guard near Chickamanga Station, where, ground was frozen. It was said that Tommy fidence in Christ's claims. He was convinced on a little hill, they had an old smoothbore six-pounder, with which they were carelessly get sitting by the fire, was found frozen to the the interview Christ had changed water into dropping grapeshot into the underbrush among our skirmishers. A regiment charged up the hill, and the rebels took their old gun away.

At dark we again overtook them in a swamp near Graysville, and the banging of that old smoothbore commenced again. Then a musket went off; then two or three; then a dozen; lier crowd of men than assembled on the bank | could rebuild within three days the temple then we couldn't tell how many there were. A staff officer came tearing back, his horse's feet across in the little leaky pendulum ferry-boat. for 46 years. Had they fully comprehended scattering and and unsavory water in every There were men without hats and men with- his real meaning, to wit, that if they killed direction.

"FOWARD THE TENTH!

Hurry up, Colonel! Right into line, resting on the road, and then forward, double-quick! he shouted, and rushed to the front. The 10th Ill. hastened to obey the order; but before the formation was completed the right of the line around like the cracker of a whip.

Phew! How that swamp did smell when it was stirred up! And how cold and crooked the dirly little stream that ran through it was! water was colder and colder every time. By the time we had got out of the woods and into line the engagement was over, and we were ordered to get supper and go to bed. We renearly to Ringgold, and on the day after moved | veterans. back toward Chattanooga and went into camp, thinking of the fine barracks we would build for Winter quarters and the grand times we would have catching up our lost sleep, writing long letters home, playing checkers, reading up the magazines, and studying tacties. And so ended the prelude. But alas! our gorgeous air-castles vanished before the chilling breath of an order to march with three days' rations,

which must be made to last five days. It was under gloomy auspices that we started on our murch toward Knoxville to the relief spur of the Comberland range, fording a swellen I suppose there never was a soldier who could make three-days' rations last their allotted time. He would eat and waste all his haversack would hold, and trust to luck for a fresh trowsers and shoes

BEGAN TO GIVE WAY

not getting anything to cat.

had breakfast; if not, not.

water "straight."

our haversacks. If wood and water were found | have stood before it.' at 5 o'clock, we went into camp for the night; if not, we marched till they were found. As soon as the arms were stacked the men scattered in search of rails, and soon the fires were | were discussing the relative merits of their | not carry sin with us. Ye must be born again. barning merrily, lighting up the lines of burn- different State Legislatures the other day, when Nicodemus asks, "How can these things ished bayonets and the dirty faces of groups of the Chio statesman said: "I never knew a be?" Was he in doubt as to their truth, or men, snapping and crackling and sending out | citizen of my State who was ashamed of being | did he want further instruction? Christ's anshowers of sparks as some impatient foot tried a member of the General Assembly, and that's swer is at least mildly rebukative. Did Nicoto kick the brands into quicker life.

When the wagons came up from the mill, where a detail of men had been at work all the | tion, Senator Sherman continued :

night before GRINDING CONFISCATED CORN,

we got our rations. In the meantime the account, came in, some bringing chickens, some legs of mutton, some flitches of bacon, some canteens of sorghum, some nothing at ail. The last were in the majority. After supper our mess prepared its provender

for the next day. One of our number took the coffee-pot and a dozon canteens and went in | ing reply. search of water. Sometimes he would have to go half a mile or more to find it, and on such occasions his adventures were numerous and | ber of the Illinois Legislature.' thrilling. How he fell into a ditch and smashed the nose of the coffee-pot; how he tore the sole off his brogan on the root of a tree; how somebody pushed him into the water while he was filling his cauteens; how the canteens would not stay corked; how he lost himself on the tive. way back; how he got among the headquarter teams and came near being kicked to death; how he stumbled over and upset a soldier's cup of coffee and was threatened with instant annibilation therefor; and how he finally blundered into his own camp by mere accident and was heartily cursed for being gone so long-the

story of all this would fill a good-sized book. After the water carrier returned, a bucket was borrowed from one of the wagons and into it was poured our united stock of meal and water, enough to make a sticky slush. Then water enough, we indulged in

THE LUXURY OF A WASH,

application of stinging, ice-cold water. Knoxville. It may be called rather a hard ex- of the old Virginian was remarkable. The men perience, but there were some red-letter days | who sprang from his stalwart loins and their in it. The day on which I first reveled in the | descendants are to be found in every Southern joys of pork and molasses was one. The girls' | State, having his characteristics of courage, inand the dudes' pretty noses may go up, but I dustry, and shrewdness. They are steady am sure that none of their palates were ever so lovers, good husbands, religious as a rule, and delightfully titillated as was mine by that bit | clannish. of pork with its coating of luscious sorghum, served in a tin cup. I was tolerably hungry about that time. Another day to be remembered was that on which a kind-hearted old aunty transformed some of the flour that had been given as into biscuits. To be sure they were shapeless things, of leaden hue and weight, and marvelously stretchy; but they were biscuits pevertheless, baked in a genuine three-legged oven with an iron lid. I was the clerk,

somewhat hungry at that time, too. There were other days whose letters were not quite so red. For instance, that wretched week at Benton, where we rested on our return march, having gone as far as Marysville, and there learned that the siege of Knoxville was raised and Longstreet had fled to Virginia. It was here that the illusion that pine was an in- there?' flammable wood was dispelled. After a weary march in the rain we were put into camp in a nature. grove of young pine trees, and began to con-

gratulate ourselves upon THE ROARING FIRES WE WOULD HAVE. The trees were soon felled, cut into proper lengths, and piled. An old newspaper that had done duty as a napkin for a piece of bacon, was placed underneath the wood and lighted. It caught beautifully. The bark commenced to sparkle and crackle and we to sing jubilantly. I thanglue, All druggists highly recommend it. Try it. | charge.

A DECEMBER MARCH. There was a great smoke and a small blaze.
Then somebody blew it and there was a great smoke and no blaze. The inhilant singing smoke and no blaze. The jubilant singing ceased. Then somebody else blew it and there was neither smoke nor blaze. Then a new The Scamper from Chattaneoga for man swore he knew how to make it burn and tried his hand, and did no better; then another, who also made a miserable failure. Repeated trials and repeated failures at last convinced us that if there is one thing that will not burn, it is green pine. With hands blistered and faces blackened by overmuch tinkering with the fire, with eyes reddened by the pungent smoke, we had, altogether, a pitiable time of

TEARING TO PIECES THE SHELTERS ground and had to be cut loose with an ax and | wine at Cana. (2: 1-11.) By a sort of miracle truth of the story.

was collected together a dirtier, raggeder, jol- as the people understood him, he declared he of the river that day, waiting to be swung | which had required for its erection many men were Falstaff's ragged recruits. Some time speaks of "the miracles which he did." He during the night the boat made its last oscil- must have effected many such of which no acto our tents, to our blankets, to our clean | went right to the point-" Ye must be born began moving forward, which swung the left and hardtack, and, better than all, to a full "must be"—not ought to be or may be—but supply of letters from home.

and did not cut much of a figure in the news- | peated physical birth. Jesus explains how to We crossed it at least a dozen times, and the papers, but that it was well thought of by be born again. It consists of baptism and its those who had a right to pronounce judgment, accompanying spiritual renovation. Baptism the congratulatory orders of Gens. Sherman, is an outward and visible sign of an inward Davis, and Morgan fully show. I will only and spiritual grace. The spiritual grace is "a add that it was immediately after this trying | death unto sin, and a new birth into righteoussumed the pursuit on the next day, going campaign that our whole brigade re-enlisted as ness." The wordly side of the Kingdom of

A Terrible Ordeal. [St. Louis Republican,] the battle at New Hope Church, May 27, 1864: | the font is the sign. The Holy Spirit must nervous system has ever undergone. When we and clear them of sin, making us so unlike the began the advance we naturally expected that | evil that we shall indeed be new creatures. the artillery would open upon us as soon as we got | Human birth cannot impart spiritual regenerauntil we were in reach of the fire of musketry, | clear to a professional religious teacher, as was that would begin to open upon us also. I had been Nicodemus. It appears, however, he was so of Gen. Burnside. The roads were soggy and through so much of this that I had ceased to mystified that Christ bade him "Marvel not," slippery, the air was raw and muggy, and the fear it, and always relied on the excitement of and proceeded to illustrate the work of grace day generally was damp and depressing. We the occasion carrying me forward; but here we by a very simple, natural fact in the material filed through Taylor's Gap, a narrow cleft in a ran for some 200 yards or more, and there was world. Perhaps the wind was blowing at the not a cannon shot. Another 100 yards and still | time. Then, the wind is a simile for the breath stream that ran through it, marched up toward | no explosion of bombshells or anything of the | of man, and often for the Spirit of God. A Cleveland, went into camp on a hill, the side | kind! I now began to feel a little strange. | person conversant with Ps. 51, Eze., 11:19, 20 of which was so steep that we had to build | Another 100 yards, and still no sign of life, and | and 36:26 ought not to be so wanting in combarricades to keep from rolling to destruction | my nervousness began to give place to a desire | prehending Christ's meaning. We are more in our sleep, and ate our three-days' rations. to halt. Another 100 yards, and we were cer- interested in having the wind than in undertainly within range of musketry; but still standing it. Never mind whence it comes nor there was not one sign of life in the intrench- whither it goes, if we but have it. So of salvaments in front of us; nothing to give cause for | tion. Many of the greatest forces in nature, in apprehension, apparently, except the waving of | society, in the Nation and the Church are insupply. I will not recite the details of each | the Confederate flags above the works as a light | visible. Influences, inexplicable as to origin day's experience. One day was pretty much | wind blew. Now over me began to come a | and direction, are operating everywhere. We like another-only more so as the rations be- mortal feeling of dread, a feeling which I never only see results, and from them are forced to came scarcer and the nights colder, and our felt before, and which I can scarcely describe. allow the precedence of some powers at work in places where it was of the utmost importance and determined by my example to inspire my cational institution. Not only are holy influthat they should hold together. We had crossed | men to brave it, no matter how terrible it was. | ences in their operation on the mind often | the Tennessee stripped for fight, the officers At length we were within scarcely more than beyond the range of explication, but evil carrying only their overcoats and the men a | 20 yards of the intrenchments, when from all single blanket. Many, who had expected to along the line protruded forth, beneath the head hended. A man's life not only shows the wind in the center is filled out in a fine engrossing hand recross the river as soon as the fight was over, logs, scores and hundreds of muskets. I could is in motion, but in which way it blows, whether with the name of the soldier, his rank, company had not even these. Body servants and com- see them as I gave a quick glance down the whole from the direction of purity or from a quarter and regiment, and the batters he participated in, pany cooks had been left behind, and officers front, and those immediately before me partiu- of iniquity. and men took the same chances of getting or | ularly seemed slightly waving from side to | The teachings of Christ relate also to superside. There was no mistaking it. I knew that | natural things-to affairs of another life and | dren. It has never been sold so far for less than \$2. Reveille was sounded at 4 o'clock. If the every holder of a musket was picking out his world. He feels the embarrassment of conforagers had been successful the day before, we had breakfast: if not, not.

every nonzer of a musket was picking out his world. He feels the embarrassment of conbut we will send it, securely packed in a tube, to man. This continued for but a few moments, versing with Nicodemus about such higher any address for a club of 10 subscribers to The At first we fried our bacon before eating it (if | I heard the command given, 'Now, men, fire!' we had any), but we soon found that that Instantly from along the entire line there difficulty in causing him to understand heavenly wasted it too much, and so ate it raw. When seemed, like a lightning flash, to burst forth a concerns. If Nicodemus could not see the the coffee gave out, several substitutes were sheet of flame and smoke. I was struck, and philosophy of the new birth, which takes place found to take its place. Burnt corn was one, fell senseless for an instant, but when I re- on earth, which could be effected in his own chinkapins another. These blackened the water | covered myself and turned to look, there seemed | heart, which could be seen exemplified in the they were boiled in and gave it a bitterish to be scarcely seven men of my entire regiment lives of the devout, how could be see into the taste that made it more palatable than warm on their feet. Then the fury of the combat | mysteries of Christ's eternal fore-existence, his arose above every other sight or sound. The miraculous birth, his supernatural power, the At noon we halted for an hour, which was whole forest and mountain seemed to be on effectiveness of the crucifixion, the love of God, devoted to naps and munching the scrapings of fire. There is no army in the world that could as displayed in sacrificing his own Son by his

Good Story by John Sherman.

when the Colonel asked for proof of the asser-

ilton County, O., a disreputable fellow named Johnston. He finally moved out to Illinois | honest inquirer, although he had been a destragglers, who had been foraging on their own and the community breathed freer for his ab- fective teacher. True, Christ declares (V. 11) sence. A few years ago one of Johnston's former neighbors met him at Springfield. After some conversation, Johnston said: "'I suppose I left a pretty hard reputation

behind me in Ohio?' "'I am sorry to say you did,' was the unfeel-

"'I hope you'll tell them I've reformed," continued Johnston, 'and that I'm also a mem-"The friend promised to do so and started

away, when Johnston called him back : "'You say they still regard me as a pretty tough citizen out there?' "Again his friend answered in the affirma-

" 'Well,' said Johnson, sinking his voice to a whisper, 'I guess you better tell them everything you know about me except that I'm a member of the Illinois Legislature. I don't so less was to be raised high you know about me remedy be discovered. Just as Moses elevated the brazen serpent in the wilderness (Nu., 21: 4-9) member of the Illinois Legislature. I don't think I'd say anything about that."

The Camps of Virginia. [Atlanta Constitution.] "Are you descended from one of the 22?" is the first question asked when you introduce Mr. has the following: Camp to Mr. Camp-which is explained as follows: Benjamin Camp of Virginia had 11 sons highly-respected dergymen, one of whom in-and one daughter by his first wife, who, not quired, "How old are you?" The suffering saint we laid a rail in front of the fire and placed on it little dabs of the mixture, which were left unnaturally, died. He married a new wife and exposed to the heat till they were hardened repeated his record, having by her 11 sons and The visitor expressed at once his surprise and curiand scorched on the outside. With these we one daughter. Having gathered about him his osity at what to him was so strange a declaration.

Some and scorched on the outside. With these we one daughter. Having gathered about him his osity at what to him was so strange a declaration. Mr. Summerfield replied in the language of Jesus use. When we camped early enough and near fully obeyed God's first injunction, and died to Nicodemus: "Art thou a master in Israel and the death of the just. The 24 children of Benjamin Camp were, as might have been expected, a prolific and stalwart race. Only one of them, though it was no unusual thing to go three a daughter, approached the father's record. She days or more without having an opportunity to had 22 children. One of the sons found himsubmit our faces to any but the most superficial | self at a reunion with 316 sons and descendants, his own last born, a postulate of 16 days, being This is a sample of the days of our march to the youngest child present. The prepotency

Thought He Had 'Em.

[Boston Times.] A Southern gentleman stepped up to the register of a prominent hotel the other day and glanced hurriedly at the open page.
"Help! Got 'em again!" he shrieked, starting back.

"Heavens, man!" what's the matter?" asked "Matter? Why, I've got 'em again."

"Got what, sir?" "Why, the delirium tremens, you fool!"

"Oh, nonsense! You're all straight enough. Let me give you a room." "No, sir. You look there on that book. Don't you see that slimy serpent crawling

"Why, no, sir. That's only an editor's sig-

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SUNDAY MEDITATION.

Practical Duties Taught by a Study of the Inter-national Sanday School Lesson Appointed for April 25. St. John, 3:18.

[One reading these notes should first carefully study the paragraph from the Holy Scriptures as indicated above. place in Jerusalem in the year 26 A. D., at about March. Nicodemus was a Pharisee, a master or teacher among the Jews, a member of the Sanhedrim, and so a ruler in Israel. He is reported to have been wealthy. He was the only one of came by night. (V. 2. Compare 19:39.) He may have had something of that false shame about being religious which some men discover even yet. Then, the Jews hating Christ, Nicodemus may have apprehended a lack of popularity, if it became known he went to Jesus. Then he may have wanted to investigate more carefully before he acted publicly, lest he might be caught in a delusion or imposture and so suffer ridicale for his folly and freshness. But Kennedy, who took what little sleep be could by the miracles which Jesus effected. Before pried out with a rail. I do not youch for the power he cleared the temple of cattle dealers and brokers, using a mere whip of small cords. At noon on the second day after this we en- (2:14.) He had laid claims to powers thought tered Chattanooga. I suppose that there never | utterly extravagant and superhuman, in that, out shoes. Blouses were things of shreds and no him, he would be alive again within 72 patches; and there were whole companies in as | hours, they would have held him to be utterly bereft a state, as far as shirts were concerned, as | wild. (2:18-22.). But Verse 23, Chapter 2, lation, and we went back to our old camps- | count has come down to us. (21:25.) Christ "must be born again." It was trifling for Nico-This short campaign was not a bloody one, demus to intimate the impossibility of a re-God is the visible, militant Church. One cannot enter this save by water baptism. The Heavenly side of God's Kingdom is the Saints' Home after death. One to gain access The following is a Union Colonel's story of | there must have the spiritual grace of which "It was the most severe ordeal which my operate on our hearts or religious functions within range, and that, having swept forward | tion. It would seem all this would be quite

I would have turned and fled but for the fear | unknown as to source or drift. Even science of disgrace, which was stronger even than the acts on faith. Mystery is the secret of study. horror of death. But I knew what was coming. Effort to understand is the basis of every edupowers also work by laws not fully compre-

when above all other sounds, distinct and clear, things. The ruler of Israel was so dull in apprehending matters of earth that Christ saw being lifted on the cross? God is pure-man is sinful. Heaven is holy. Saints in Paradise are righteous. If we reach Heaven, a great Col. Wm. R. Morrison and John Sherman religious work must be effected in us. We canmore than I can say for Illinois," and then, demus mean, "The wind has some cause back "Away back in the '50s there lived in Ham- in action? How can I secure the wind of the Holy Spirit to blow on me?" He seems an

of it, and effects are due not to the wind itself so much as to that power which sets the wind "ye receive not our witness." "Ye" is plural, and our Saviour probably meant the Jews as a whole did not accept his teachings. Jesus then proceeds to declare some heavenly facts. He

one of the most handsome, useful and valuable pleces of jewelry that has yet been devised.

We have sold large numbers of these Sleeve Buttons proceeds to declare some heavenly facts. He came from Heaven. He was on earth. But He was at the same time in Heaven. He is as Deity omnipresent: as much in Heaven as elsewhere, capable of being at the same moment both on earth and in Heaven. He was on earth in a human body, but spiritually He was A GOOD, RELIABLE REVOLVER synchronously in Heaven. No man had ever been to Heaven. Enoch and Elijah were in Paradise. Further, our Saviour taught Nicodemus of the crucifixion. He intimated his death in 2:19. He now declares its form. He was to die on a cross. We are all affected with sin. Death is certain, unless some remedy

with faith were cured, so we can be saved from tional \$4. We pay the postage in every instance.

We will also send the revolver, postage paid, to any sin by believing Christ and acting accordingly. The practical lessons are numerous.-1. Seek the new birth. Summerfield's Life

"During one of his illnesses he was visited by two replied, "I was born at Preston, in England, in 1798, and born again at Dublin, in Ireland, in 1817." knowest not these things?" and then related the history of his conversion. The reverend gentleman, after departing, inquired of his companion if he knew anything about this strange doctrine, and finding that he too was the subject of the same happy change, sought and obtained the like bless-

2. Be truthful. Understand things thoroughly, so as to be authoritative in your statements. 3. Testify for Christ and in favor of his re-

4. Accept good evidence.

5. Illustrate truth. Through nature lead persons up to grace. 6. Teachers in special should understand what they claim to teach-should experience what they recommend-should do what they

require of others. 7. Do your part. Though the Holy Spirit regenerates, He does not do so arbitrarily. Turn. (Pro., 1:23.) Ask. (Lu., 11:13.) Believe. (John, 3:15, 16.) Do what belongs to us to effect and leave results with God. (Deu., 29:29.) Be baptized. Partake of the Holy Supper.

The American Newspaper. Chas. Dudley Warner, in an address at Saratoga on "The American Newspaper," said: "Although there are scattered through the land for a newspaper, I have never yet heard of anybody unable to edit one."

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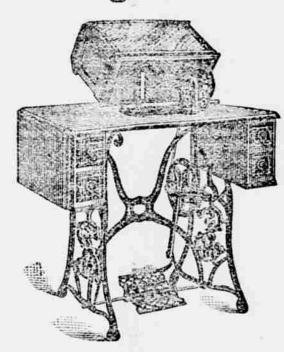
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Rebel Ignorance of the North. [Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.]

The South was led to destruction in 1860-'61 y ignorance more than anything else, unless it was blind leadership. After the war one of the bravest of the brave, a South Carolina General, went to New York for the first time. He We are to study one of the night incidents of ascended to the top of Trinity church steeple, the Bible. It is the account of the interview and looked around upon that mighty spectacle between our Savior and Nicodemus, which took of Northern wealth and power, by sea and land. He said: "Had I known of this a few years the time of the passover that year-viz., in ago I would have either advised my people against the war or entered the conflict with despair." Another South Carolinian in 1687 journeyed to the West. He said: "I saw millions of acres of land as level as a floor, as black the rulers of the Jews to seek Jesus, and he as soot, and as rich as the Garden of Eden. Alongside of this fertility I beheld vast cities, teeming with population and throbbing with manufactures. Had I known in 1861 what we had to contend with I should have felt the doom of conquest in advance. We were led to slaughter by visionaries, and were punished for ignorance."

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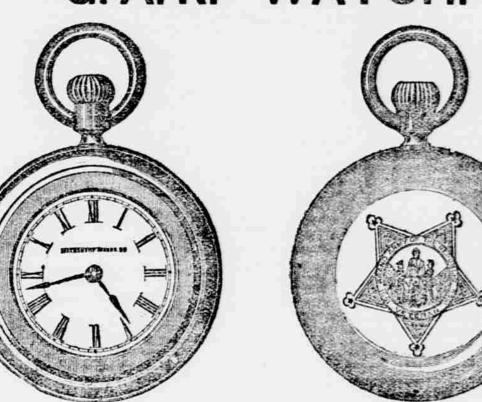
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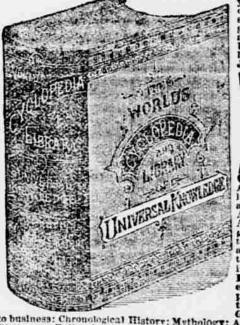
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